



St Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Grouping
March 2nd, 2025 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Family Church	Holy Ghost Church	Immaculate Heart of Mary Church	St. Jude's Church
			
<p align="center">52 Falkland St Moncton, NB E1E 4S8 Tel: 506- 854-6099 Saturdays at 7 p.m.</p>	<p align="center">2 Church St Riverside-Albert, NB E4H 3W8 Tel: 506- 882-1123 Saturdays at 4 p.m.</p>	<p align="center">5 Fatima Dr Riverview, NB E1B 2X8 Tel: 506- 386-6178 Sundays at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p align="center">3062 Main St Salisbury, NB E4J 2L5 Tel: 506- 386-6178 Sundays at 9:00 a.m.</p>

	<p align="center"><i>We would like to acknowledge that we carry out our worship on the unceded, ancestral territory of the Indigenous peoples of Atlantic Canada, the Mi'kmaq and the Wəlastəkwiyik (Maliseet). Our relationship and our privilege to live on this territory was agreed upon in the Peace and Friendship Treaties of 1752, and so it is to be acknowledged that we are all Treaty people, having a responsibility to respect this territory.</i></p>
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Welcome to our parish grouping! If you are new to any of our churches, please reach out to the parish office to find out more about the life and work of our parishes!


Staff Directory
The parish office is open Monday to Thursday 9-4 pm and Friday 9-12pm
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	<p align="center">Prayer Requests</p> <p align="center">We pray for the sick, and those who are awaiting or recovering from surgery, those receiving treatment, and those needing strength including Remi Rioux (grandson) & Connie Firlotte (sister in-law) of Jean & Dale Ryan, Louis LeBlanc (brother of Marie Betts), Betty Lou Remington, Mary Burns, Mary Wilt, and Ken Cochrane;</p> <p align="center">for those who have died including Barry Dickie;</p> <p align="center">and for those who mourn the loss of a loved one.</p>
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	<p align="center">Please support the Food Banks in our area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House of Nazareth (Holy Family) • Albert County Food Bank (Immaculate Heart of Mary) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salisbury Helping Hands (St Jude's) • Shepody Food Bank (Holy Ghost) Thank you for your continued support! <p align="center">If you can, please give non perishable items —Thank you!</p>
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Daily Readings March 3rd–March 9th, 2025

Monday	Sirach 17.24-27,29		Mark 10.17-27
Tuesday	Sirach 35.1-15		Mark 10.28-31
Wednesday	Joel 2.12-18	2 Corinthians 5.20-6.2	Mark 6.1-6,16-18
Thursday	Deuteronomy 30.15-20		Luke 9.22-25
Friday	Isaiah 58.1-9a		Matthew 9.14-15
Saturday	Isaiah 58.9b-14		Luke 5.27-32
Sunday (First day of Lent)	Deuteronomy 26.4-10	Romans 10.8-13	Luke 4.1-13

Upcoming Liturgies Feb 21st —March 9th

Fri, Feb 14th	Royal Court	10:15a.m.	Stephen Hickey—Knights of Columbus
Fri, Feb 21st	Canterbury	10:15a.m.	Stephen Hickey—IHM Ladies Society
Wed, Mar 5th	IHM	9:30a.m.	Mass Cancelled—See 6:30p.m.
Wed, Mar 5th	People's Park Tower	10:00a.m.	Nancy Ashley—Angela Kinden
Wed, Mar 5th	Holy Family	12:00 Noon	Connie Wilden—Dale & Jean Ryan
Wed, Mar 5th	HG -Forest Dale	3:00p.m.	Michael Kinney—A parishioner
Wed, Mar 5th	IMH	6:30 p.m.	Harold McGrath—Anne Griffin
Fri, Mar 7th	People's Park Tower	2:00 p.m.	Laura Murphy—Rod & Pauline Manderson
Sat, Mar 8th	Holy Ghost	4:00 p.m.	Francis & Clara O'Hara—The Family
Sat, Mar 8th	Holy Family	7:00 p.m.	Garo Berberian—Varouje & Mary Kouyoumdjian
Sun, Mar 9th	St. Jude	9:00 a.m.	For the People
Sun, Mar 9th	IHM	11:00 a.m.	Robert & Adrien Cassie—Bob & Helena Vaughan

Upcoming Meetings and Events



Are you interested in joining a parish activity? Or seeking a faith formation time?

DATE	LOCATION	
Mon, Mar 3rd	IHM	Choir Practice — Meet at 6:30pm
Mon, Mar 3rd	Holy Family	Prayer Group – Meet at 7:00pm
Tues, Mar 4th	IHM	Catechism— cancelled for March Break
Tues, Mar 4th	Holy Family	Choir Practice— Note time change Meet at 7:00pm
Tues, Mar 4th	Dan Bohan	IHM Ladies Society— Meet at 7:00pm
Wed, Mar 5th	IHM	Ash Wednesday Mass at 6:30pm– KOC meet next Wednesday



The LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE for the grouping will take place on Thursday March 20th at 6:30pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary church.

World Day of Prayer 2025

Kia Orana!



World Day of Prayer is a prayer movement that invites us to enrich our faith experience with the experience of Christians from other countries and cultures and to bring hope to women touched by injustice. Our siblings in The Cook Islands welcome us and lead us for World Day of Prayer 2025! This group of 15 islands in the South Pacific Ocean has a rich and colourful Māori heritage and a deep connection to nature. Join with us as we pray together and reflect on the theme ‘I made you wonderful’. The scripture base is Psalm 139 – verses 1-18.

Friday, March 7th at IHMC at 2:00 p.m.

Storm Date March 14th reception to follow at Dan Bohan Center
Bible study for will be held on Feb. 25 at 2:00pm Dan Bohan center
 storm date Feb 26th. Facilitated by **Ellen Bennett.**



Did you Know ?

What Jesus asks of His disciples is what we are called to do as baptised Christians -- bring Christ's healing word to others! Proclaim the Resurrection. Reach out to the afflicted, the sick and the rejected. Cast out the demons of selfishness and indifference. Grace and love are given freely by God and we are called to give freely to others. (p 10, SB 2024)



Friendly Reminder: On Sunday March 9th, 2025

in the early hours , time will jump forward (**spring ahead**) by one hour from **2:am to 3:am**



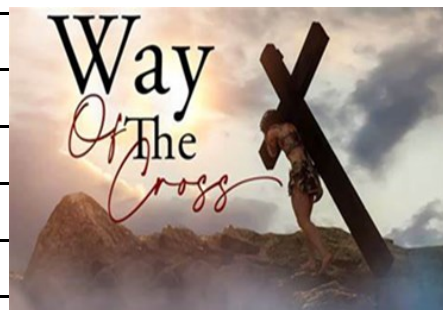
Baptism Inquiries

We get many inquiries regarding baptism and what steps need to be taken in preparation. Most of the time people will send an email to the parish account which then gets sent to Mark. We have established a new email account you can use to have your questions answered. The address is: baptism.set@gmail.com. This will go straight to Mark and he will be happy to help you out.

The Way of the Cross

We will pray the Way of the Cross **during the holy season of Lent on Friday evenings**. All are invited and encouraged to attend. To make this prayer available to as many people as possible, we will celebrate it in the different churches according to the following schedule: we will celebrate it in the different churches according to the following schedule:

Friday	March 7 at 6:30 pm	Immaculate Heart
Friday	March 14 at 6:30 pm	St. Augustine's
Friday	March 21 at 6:30 pm	St. Bernard's
Friday	March 28 at 6:30 pm	Immaculate Heart
Friday	April 4 at 6:30 pm	St. Augustine's
Friday	April 11 at 6:30 pm	St. Bernard's
Friday	April 18 at 6:30 pm	Immaculate Heart



Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



On Sunday, March 23rd, following mass, the Knights will host a **brunch at the Dan Bohan Center**. The menu includes scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage, ham, beans, toast, tea, coffee, and juice.

All are welcome to attend for a free will offering. Proceeds go to getting a new dishwasher for the Dan Bohan Center



Pancake Supper Shrove Tuesday

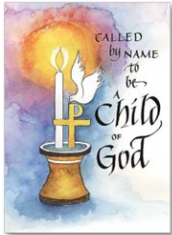
March 4th from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Dan Bohan Center

Menu includes pancakes, sausage, beans soup, crackers, tea, coffee, and. lemonade **Price \$10.00. or \$25.00 per family.**

All are welcome! Bring a friend.



We are looking to find a volunteer or a family to commit to our coffee ministry after church approximately **twice a month**. It's a great way to involve your children in Church activities. Please send an email to Debbie debbiebrideau.set@gmail.com or call 506-386-6178 to sign up.



Sacrament of Baptism

Through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, On Feb, 23rd 2025 we welcomed **Georgine Advento, daughter of Paolo and Glance Kay**

Georgine, may the grace and blessings received at Baptism guide you throughout your life and may this holy occasion bring your family great joy.



The members of the **Social Committee** are empowered for their ministry by the generous gifts from our parishioners. We are pleased to report that for the month of February, donations were made to **Harvest House, House of Nazareth and Karing Kitchen**.

Thank you for your continued support to this important cause.



Thank you to everyone who attended the Wild Cats game last Sunday. Special thanks to Mark Mahoney for organizing this successful church outing. We appreciate your time and the great turnout.



If you have a modest income and a simple tax situation, volunteers from the **Community Volunteer Income Tax Program** may be able to do your taxes for you, **for free!**

Bring your tax information slips, receipts, SIN and ID to a clinic near you

Riverview Public Library
Walk in clinic offered on
March 5 & April 16 from 10 -12 p.m.

MAGMA, Salvation Army, Moncton Library, Club d'Age d'Or NBCC and the Legion located 100 War Veterans Ave.
Please call **1-800-959-8281** for more info or go to Canada.ca/taxes-help

EXPLORING OUR FAITH



CHURCH. WHY BOTHER?

Back in the 1st century when the Church was just getting going, St. Paul wrote, “Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you with a part to play in the whole” (1 Cor. 12:27). The way God designed our bodies is a model for understanding our lives together as the Church. Every part of our physical body is dependent on every other part. You are part of Christ’s body—that’s who you are. Only as you accept your part of that body does your “part” mean anything.

One of the things I like about the Catholic Church is its sacramentality and imagination, even if they are not always understood, appreciated, or expressed as well as they should be. Unlike some forms of Christianity, we Catholics are still mystified by good art, wine, bread, oil, statues, food washing, ashes, etc. I only wish we were more demonstrative with our symbols. When we are, we communicate—in more powerful ways than words—the lavish ways God comes to us and loves us. Given that, I equally believe that God is not confined to the four walls of our houses of worship. While the sacraments hold a primary position in the life of the Church, the entire created world—every arena of our lives—is shot through with the presence of the Divine. Everything, in a sense, is sacramental.

If God is everywhere, why bother “going to church”? Wouldn’t we do just as well claiming, as many do, “I am spiritual but not religious”? Or, how about this one, “I’m free; I don’t need organized religion. I march to my own drumbeat, thank you very much.”

The truth of it is we come to a church building in order to learn what it means to be Church, the Body of Christ. It’s a work in progress and always will be. (That’s probably why Eucharist is a repeatable sacrament and why we are called “practicing Catholics”). We come to get refocused, empowered, renewed, strengthened, and fed so that we can leave here more aware that we are, indeed, the Body of Christ. Jesus told us that he came to be food for the world...not just for Catholics, not just for Catholics in a state of grace...but for the WORLD! (Jn. 6:33). If that’s the case, then as the Body of Christ we should leave worship with the same attitude—that we, too, are food for the world.

Going to church should free us from the delusion that we are the center of the universe. At great personal price, Nicolaus Copernicus and later Galileo Galilei (with the help of the telescope) paved the way for a new way of thinking. Thinking ourselves, or our earth, as being the center of the universe limits our ability to see and experience God whose presence is everywhere. Going to church and being forced to rub shoulders with others—others that we may not even like—is as challenging as accepting the sun, and not the earth, is central in our universe. Going to church is going to a place not of our choosing, to be with people not necessarily of our choosing, and breaking bread with people not of our choosing. It’s not a country club where we get to decide who’s in and who’s out. One of the last things Jesus said before his crucifixion was, “You didn’t choose me, no, I chose you” (Jn. 15:16). So, we are not the masters of the gate in a gated community.

I’ve had the privilege of being to Rome, of presiding Eucharist just a few metres away from St. Mark the Evangelist’s remains in Venice and equally close to the remains of St. Francis of Assisi. I’ve also had the honour of celebrating Eucharist in Bethlehem and on the Mount of the Beatitudes by the Sea of Galilee. Yet, not of these sacred place are any more sacred than the chapel at the Dorchester Prison or the local senior citizen homes. What makes a place sacred is not geography but the truth that, “Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am among you” (Mt. 18:20). Before each celebration I need to remind myself that no one travels to God alone. From palaces to prisons, ever person is responding to Jesus’ words, “You didn’t choose me, no, I chose you.” We’re in this together—the Body of Christ—motivated by something beyond the messiness of our own ambitions and drives.

Although not commenting directly about Church, Brennan Manning, touches on it nonetheless when he writes: ***“When I am honest, I admit I am a bundle of paradoxes. I believe and I doubt, I hope and get discouraged, I love and I hate, I feel bad about feeling good, I feel guilty about not feeling guilty. I am trusting and suspicious. I am honest and I still play games. Aristotle said I am a rational animal; I say I am an angel with an incredible capacity for beer”*** (The Ragamuffin Gospel).

Fr. Phil

Sharing God's gifts

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish:
Loose \$357
Church Support \$3,123 (94)
Property Upkeep \$174 (12)
Youth Support \$6.(2), Social Action \$151. (10)


Holy Ghost Parish:
Loose \$20.
Church Support \$349. (14)

St. Jude's Parish:
Loose \$110.95
Church Support \$562 (18), Candles \$393.25



Holy Family Parish:
Loose \$159.
Church Support \$1,542 (27)
Maintenance Fund \$110 (4)

Holy Family (PPT) :
Loose \$62
Church Support \$210 (11)
Maintenance Fund \$5 (1)

thank you very much! 



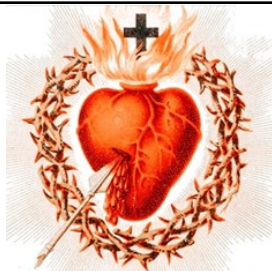
In the bulletin this weekend, you will find your parishes' financial report for 2024 and financial projections for 2025. With your generous support of our parishes, we can gather to celebrate liturgies and be the hands and feet of Jesus in our communities. Your generosity is a mark of our abundance! May God bless these gifts, the hands that gave them, and the work we can do with them!



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First Friday Devotion at St. Bernard’s Church March 7th 2025

8:00 AM – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sacrament of Reconciliation
9:00 AM – Prayer of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Benediction
9:30 AM – Holy Mass

“ROADMAP TO INITIATION” R.C.I.A. FORMATION – Catherine Ecker will also be offering a three-part series entitled “Roadmap to Initiation,” designed for those who are involved in parish R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) teams.



These sessions will also take place via Zoom on
March 10th, 17th, and 24th at 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.
Contact Karen at 506- 387-4198 or youth@diocesemoncton.ca to register.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- March 3rd, 2025 @ 6:00 pm – **Parish Catechetical Coordinators** – Immaculate Heart of Mary
- March 19th, 2025 @ 7:00 pm – **Adult Faith Commission** – Immaculate Heart of Mary
- March 27th, 2025 @ 10:00 am – **Diocesan Pastoral Care Committee** – Immaculate Heart of Mary



LENT GOES TO THE MOVIES - Our Mondays @ The Movies film discussion group will meet four times over Lent to discuss Lenten themes in popular films.

February 24th – On the Waterfront; March 10th – Close Encounters of the Third Kind; March 24th – A River Runs Through it; April 7th– Thelma and Louise.

All discussions take place on Zoom at 2:00 pm. Please contact Karen at 387-4198 or youth@diocesemoncton.ca to register.

Everyone is welcome to join the discussion.



**The Feast Light Gathering
March 2, 2025!**

The **Light of Jesus Ministry** is a Filipino Catholic community committed to bringing God’s love to everyone through vibrant worship, inspiring talks, and a welcoming faith family. As part of this mission, **The Feast Light** offers a smaller, intimate gathering where you can grow in faith and find encouragement for life’s journey.

Join us on **Sunday, March 2, 2025** for our second Feast Light gathering at St. Bernard’s Church. We begin with Mass at 11:00 AM (main church) followed by **The Feast Light at 12:30 PM at the Parish Hall.**

Our second talk for the topic **“Rock bottom: Life Strategies from Life Tragedies,”** will explore how your problems today are the ingredients for your miracle tomorrow. Come for an uplifting time of prayer, reflection, and fellowship.

Everyone is welcome! Invite your family and friends and be blessed. See you there!





Welcome back to **SENIORS CONNECT!** Our next gathering will take place on **Thursday March 27th at 10:30 am** at Holy Family Church. We will have someone from the Alzheimer Society talking to us about “Understanding Behaviors”. Questions? Contact Karen LeBlanc at 387-4198 or email youth@diocesemoncton.ca.



Stations of the Cross and Evening Prayer

Join us every Friday night during Lent (starting March 7th and ending April 11th) at 6:30pm for the Stations of the Cross followed by Evening Prayer at St. Augustine’s Church. Experience this beautiful Lenten tradition as we walk in the footsteps of Christ, reflecting on His passion and sacrifice. All are welcome to participate in this meaningful time of prayer and reflection.

ENLARGE YOUR TENT: HOW TO BE A WELCOMING CHURCH



Mark your calendars, St. Elizabeth of the Trinity invites everyone to join a conversation on hospitality and welcome on

Wednesday, April 23rd, 7:00 pm at Holy Family Parish Hall (52 Falkland). **Please note the originally publicized date of March 27th was incorrect.** What does it mean to welcome someone? What is good hospitality? Grounded in the Vatican synodal document “Enlarge the Space in Your Tent,” taken from Isaiah 54:2, we will pray, reflect on and discuss these themes.

Contact Mark to register at 386-6178 or markmahoney@set@gmail.com.

DYING WITH CHRIST, LIVING WITH HOPE is a 3-part series designed to engage Christians in conversations around death and dying. As a pastoral priority of Archbishop



Desrochers, each parish in the diocese will be hosting the series at various times. All are welcome to register for any of the sessions taking place. Up-

coming English sessions will be held on **March 21st at Immaculate Conception Parish in Rexton at 6:00 pm**, and **St. Augustine’s will be hosting the series on the evenings of March 31st, April 7th, and April 14th at 6:30 pm**. Registration is necessary and can be done online through the diocesan website or by scanning the QR code. You may also register by contacting Trevor at adultfaith@diocesemoncton.com or by calling 857-4879. *Dying with Christ, Living with Hope* was created by the Christian Medical and Dental Association of Canada.

2025 promises to be an amazing year in the life of the Church!

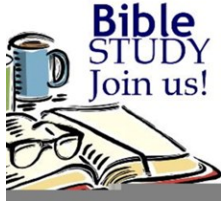
With a global Jubilee, the 10th anniversary of Pope Francis’ *Laudato Si’*, the 800th anniversary of the *Canticle of the Creatures*, and the UN conference on climate change (COP30), this is a year for change!



This year during Lent, each of our churches will use the resources they have to continually return our attention to the central pillar of Pope Francis’ papacy – concern for the environment. Such a perfect time for us to prepare ourselves, to prepare our hearts, for this exciting year!

- How about coming together to pray the Rosary for Care of Creation? (Yes, you read that right!) For groups, a copy can be found at each of our churches, links to the documents also found on our website. Want a copy for yourself? Call the office! ☺
- What if we each commit to spend each Sunday out in nature? That would be amazing! Glory to God!
- What about the return to year-round meatless Fridays – good for the soul but also for the planet!

Let’s make the Care of Creation our priority!!



Gospel Study Group March 6th and 7th :

Weekly in person or Zoom, Thursdays at **St. Lawrence O'Toole** 6:00pm followed by adoration at 7:00pm AND Fridays at **St. Augustine's** 11:00am, followed by Mass at 12:00noon and adoration. For information contact Charlie Farrell at 857-4223 or charlie.farrell@qasmoncton.com.

For 1st Sunday of Lent click on the following links and read: **Gregory the Great**

<https://thedivinelamp.wordpress.com/2011/03/12/homily-on-the-gospel-for-the-first-sunday-of-lent-by-pope-st-gregory-the-great/>

Pope Francis

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/homilies/2016/documents/papa-francesco_20160214_omelia-messico-ecatepec.html

This Lent, Turn Debt into Hope

2025 is a Jubilee year. A year in which Pope Francis invites us to “forgive the debts of countries that will never be able to repay them.” (*Spes non confundit*, 16). Development and Peace — Caritas Canada is responding to this call through the global **Turn Debt into Hope** campaign. Here are a few ways you can join us:



Donating online at devp.org/give or during the Solidarity Sunday collection on April 6, the fifth Sunday of Lent. Your generosity helps support over 79 projects in 34 countries around the world!

Get the Mini-magazine and follow the **Solidarity Calendar** with your family. Discover all the resources at devp.org/lent/resources.

For more information, contact Development and Peace — Caritas Canada regional Office in Moncton at 506 801 0440 or by email: dpatlantique@devp.org

Lenten Walk with the Lord – 40 Acts of Kindness: Presenting an additional or optional way to enhance and enrich your Lenten commitment and experience. “Lenten Walk with the Lord” invites you to do one (1) simple act of kindness for each of the 40 days of Lent. There is a calendar which will be placed in the bulletin to help you keep track of your kindness along with some simple instructions to help guide you. For example, kindness can be as simple as a ‘smile’ and often begins at home.

Mass intentions are specific requests for which a Mass is conducted.

For example They can include

- Prayers for a deceased person's soul.
- Healing of someone sick.
- Commemoration of a special anniversary.
- Special needs
- Salvation of souls.
- Receiving a special grace.
- Overcoming a particular sin.
- Praying for a particular apostolate or ministry

Mass intentions are \$15.00 each. These can be requested via phone, email, at the office, or by placing an envelope with your request in the offering basket. Please note that your request will only be scheduled upon receipt of payment. Payments may be made by cash, cheque, or e-transfer to ihmc.set@gmail.com. If payment is not received by year-end, the request will be removed from the list.

